

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Magi No. 1736005804

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DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Mitchellville School

and/or common "Colored" School #3, District #7

2. Location

street & number 1970 Mitchellville Road not for publication

city, town Mitchellville vicinity of congressional district 5

state Maryland county P.G.

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<u>district</u>	<u>public</u>	<u>occupied</u>	<u>agriculture</u>
<u>X building(s)</u>	<u>X private</u>	<u>X unoccupied</u>	<u>commercial</u>
<u>structure</u>	<u>both</u>	<u>work in process</u>	<u>educational</u>
<u>site</u>	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<u>entertainment</u>
<u>object</u>	<u>in process</u>	<u>yes: restricted</u>	<u>government</u>
	<u>being considered</u>	<u>yes: unrestricted</u>	<u>industrial</u>
	<u>not applicable</u>	<u>X no</u>	<u>military</u>
			<u>museum</u>
			<u>park</u>
			<u>X private residence</u>
			<u>religious</u>
			<u>scientific</u>
			<u>transportation</u>
			<u>X other: Blk. Hist.</u>

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Alexander Harmel

street & number 2608 Mitchellville Road telephone no.:

city, town Mitchellville state and zip code Md. 20716

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. P.G. County Courthouse liber 2174

street & number Main Street folio 365

city, town Upper Marlboro state Md.

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title None

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Mitchellville School is a one-story, hip-roofed, frame structure with entrance into the center bay of the nine-bay east (main) facade. There are four long windows (now boarded up) on each side of the round arched on this east facade. The school is built on a slope, and rests on a ~~high foundation~~ ^{full basement}. There is a brick chimney near the south end of the west slope of the roof.

3. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify) Black History

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
1930	
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D	
and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

During the first decades which followed the Civil War, there were two schools built for black children in the Queen Anne (7th) Election District: Mt. Nebo School near Queen Anne town, and Collington School near the village of that name. ~~After the turn of the century, another school was built near the Mitchellville Post Office, but~~ In the 1920's when the Rosenwald Fund was building rural schools for black children, it was decided to build a larger school ~~nearly a mile south, on the way to~~ ^{near} Carroll Chapel, a small black Methodist Church. A two acre parcel was purchased in the spring of 1930, and the contractor, Henry Chaney, finished the school building before the end of the year. This school served the children of the black community until the period of desegregation, when it was sold at auction. It is a recognizable example of the larger, more substantial school buildings from the Rosenwald period.

* Although it is similar to the Banks School built three years earlier, it is the only ~~preexisting~~ school of this period which ~~has~~ is a full basement.

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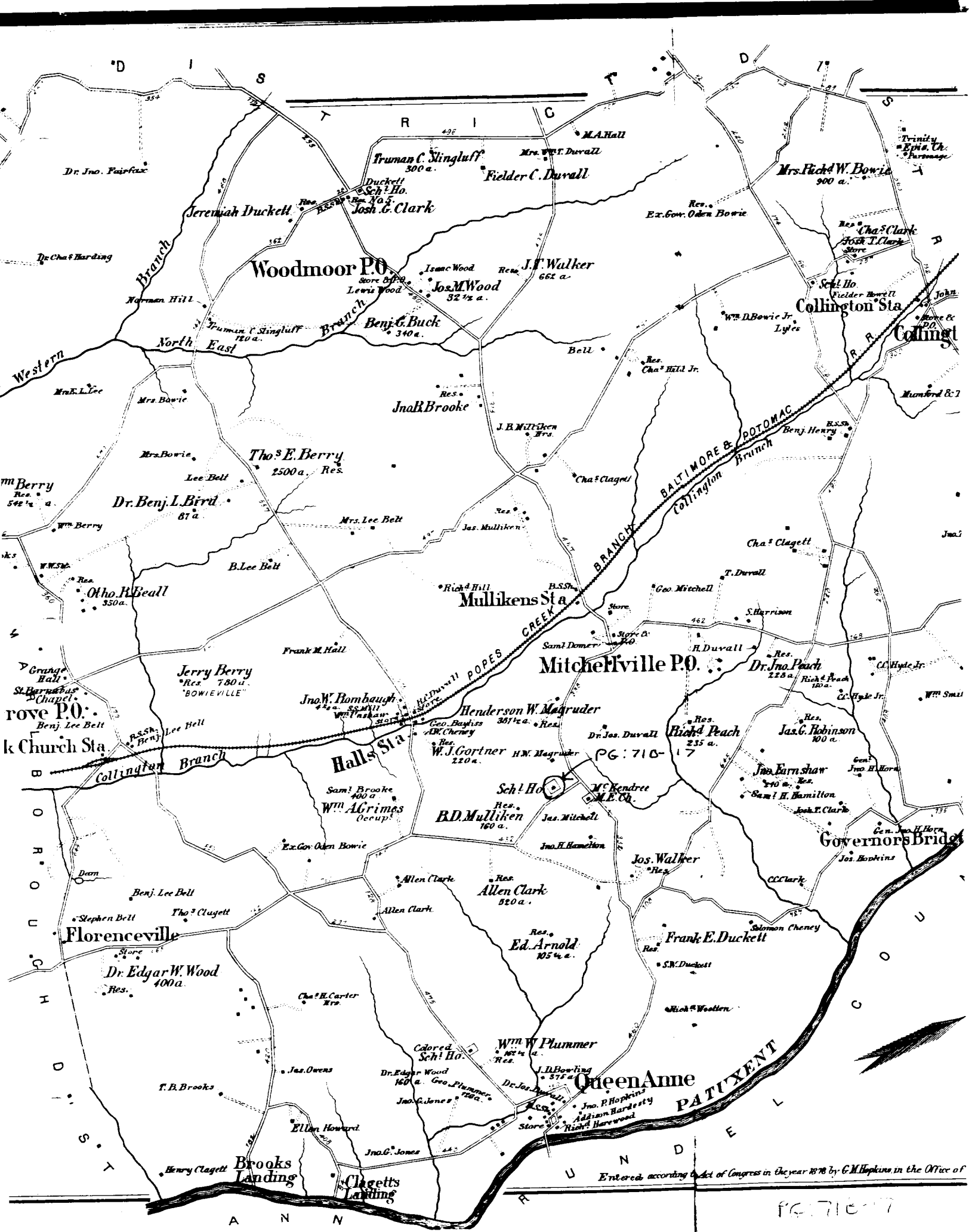
Interview with John Blake, July 1982

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle scale _____

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